

Waste Tire Working Group
Meeting Notes
July 2, 2013

Call to Order:

The meeting of the Commonwealth of Kentucky Waste Tire Working Group (KY WTWG) was called to order at 9:42 a.m. by Tim Hubbard. The meeting was held in Frankfort, KY at 300 Fair Oaks Lane. Chairman Tim Hubbard presiding.

Members in Attendance:

Tim Hubbard, Gary Logsdon, Keith Brock, John Roberts, Mayor Martin Voiers, Joe Durkin. (County Judge James Townsend out due to illness)

Review of minutes:

Minutes from previous meeting distributed. Motion to approve minutes from last meeting by Gary Logsdon. Motion seconded by Keith Brock. Motion passed as approved.

Recognition & Welcome of New Members:

Gary Logsdon (RLA Branch Manager-replacing Chris Fitzpatrick)

Mayor Martin Voiers (City of Flemingsburg)

County Judge James Townsend (Webster County)

Joe Durkin (S & S Tire, Lexington)

*Waiting on SWACK to replace former member, Mary Dickey, filling a Solid Waste Coordinator vacancy in the working group.

Old Business:

No old business will be discussed due to new members. Current meeting and next meeting will be used to bring new members up to speed and to provide them with a basic understanding of the waste tire program.

New Business

- **Presentation on Ethics Guidelines**

- John Steffen, Executive Director, Commonwealth's Executive Branch Ethics Commission educated workgroup on ethical guidelines set forth in Executive Order 2008-454 which created 3 basic requirements for Boards and Commissions.
- The 3 basic requirements are:
 - 1. Prohibition Against Self Dealing
 - Can't conduct business with your own board
 - 2. Obligations To Disclose And Abstain
 - Personal interests should be disclosed to board and member abstain from voting on the subject
 - 3. Acceptance Of Gifts
 - \$25 limit per source in a single calendar year from any person or business that is doing business with the board
- Currently, the order does not apply to workgroup but members should consider using as guidance and possibly adopting. Workgroup could be added to Boards and Commissions at a later date.
- Ethical Guidelines brochure was distributed.
- No discussion

- **Workgroup Background**
 - Established in 2011 by HB433. Some of the main provisions in terms of primary purpose are:
 1. to provide advice and input to the Energy & Environment Cabinet (Cabinet) regarding administration & implementation of alternative methods for controlling the local accumulation of waste tires.
 2. to develop the concept of a core fee for waste tires. The workgroup developed a written recommendation to the Cabinet Secretary but no action has been taken.
 3. to improve the manifest system that tracks tires from the point of sale to the point of disposal.
 4. to develop ways to assist local governments with direct grants for waste tire disposal.
 5. to develop an informational fact sheet on the proper waste tire disposal to be made available on the Cabinet's website and available in print. The working group developed fact sheets and approved those and they are available on the Cabinet's website.
 6. To provide advice to the Cabinet on the Waste Tire Annual Report for the previous calendar year.
 - No discussion.
- **Waste Tire Program**
 - Ricky Solomon, Recycling Assistance Section Supervisor, Recycling & Local Assistance Branch provided an overview of the Waste Tire Program:
 - 3 year rotating schedule among counties
 - 2001 tire amnesty program began
 - Contractor works with counties to dispose and/or recycle and has 10 days to move tires.
 - Most counties use inmates as personnel
 - Counties are responsible for their own advertisement
 - Typically 2 amnesties held each year. One in Spring and one in Fall.
 - \$1 fee tire retailer collects goes to Waste Tire Fund which funds grants and cleanups
 - PowerPoint presentation will be posted on Division of Waste Management (Division) website.
 - Questions regarding 10 day time frame on moving tires and difference in amnesties and waste tire program.
- **Presentation Waste Tire Report 2012**
 - George Gilbert, Environmental Engineer Consultant, Division Director's Office provided an overview of the 2012 Waste Tire Report:
 - Fee effectiveness
 - \$3 direct grant to counties
 - Cost
 - Disposal
 - 1990 HB932 \$1 tire fee
 - 38% reduction in collection of tires in tire collection from 2010-2012
 - Health benefits remain low-tires breed mosquitoes which lead to spread of west Nile virus and equine and human encephalitis
 - Costs more to recycle
 - Tire fires and tire pile cleanups in 2012

- **Next Meeting**
 - Tim Hubbard will contact workgroup members with confirmed date. Tentative date set for August 6, 2013 at 9:30 a.m.
- **Topics for Next Meeting**
 - Possible revisiting of core charge concept
 - Focus on tire markets
 - Reauthorizing waste tire fee for 4 years instead of 2 years. How WTWG can support fee reauthorization.
- **Discussion**
 - Clarification of \$3000 direct grants to counties. Grant is for disposing of tires or recycling. Designed to help the county handle waste tires for 3 years until amnesty is held in the county or ADD. Representative from Cemex volunteered information on what types of tires they accept, which are typically whole passenger car tires. Cemex would like to see counties have the ability to collect tires in trailers until amnesty with no charge.
- **Adjourn**
 - Motion to adjourn by Keith Brock, seconded by Joe Durkin. Motion passed as approved. Meeting adjourned at 11:59 p.m.